THE VIRGINIA GAZETTE.

The Freedom of the Preſs is one of the great Bulwarks of Liberty, and can never be reſtrained but by deſpotic Governments.

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BOSTON, *January* 2.

THE beginning of this week the privateer ſloop commanded by William Dennis, ſent into a ſafe port at the ſouthward, the Counteſs of Eglington, a brigantine from Greenock in Scotland, bound to Antigua. The following is a ſchedule of the cargo on board the brigantine Counteſs of Eglington, viz. 57 bales, 110 boxes, 34 caſks, 2 cheſts, and 5 trunks of haberdaſhery, 368 yards of printed linen, 1223 pounds of wrought leather ſhoes, 4513 pounds green glaſs bottles, 39 barrels and 2 firkins ſtrong ale, 6797 pounds tallow candles, 2420 refined ſugar, 67028 yards Britiſh bounty linen, 7410 yards Iriſh ditto, 4488 yards Britiſh ſtriped and checked ditto, 207 firkins of butter, 126 gallons Portugal wine, and 210 bundles of iron hoops.

Two prizes are taken by a privateer from this State, and carried into Cape Anne. One of them has on board upwards of 1500 firkins of butter, &c. and was from England bound to Gibraltar, for the ſupply of the garriſon there.

A number of Gentlemen of character, living at and near Concord, inform us, that there have been ſeveral EARTHQUAKES lately felt there, and in the towns adjacent.

Some time laſt week, a large ſhip, ſuppoſed to be one which the Alfred frigate has lately captured, ran into Newport (ſhe not knowing that the enemy was in poſſeſſion of that place) and was made a prize of.

NEW LONDON, *Dec* 20. By a Gentleman from Providence we learn, that the troop of horſe from Hartford, and part of the eaſtern militia of this State had arrived at Providence; that entrenchments were making at ſundry advantageous places on the ſide of the river below the town; that the enemy, ſince taking poſſeſſion of Rhode Iſland, have appeared very quiet.

HARTFORD, *Dec.* 30. A letter from a Gentleman at Peek's Kill, ſays, "Our brigade have been at Hackinſack, taken 200 Tories, killed a number, and made priſoners of 36 regulars, who were ſtationed there as a guard. We alſo took a booty worth 6 or 7000l. conſiſting of wines, rum, &c."

BALTIMORE, *January* 28.

Extract of a letter from General WASHINGTON *to Congreſs, dated January* 22, 1777.

"MY laſt was on the 20th inſtant; ſince that, I have the pleaſure to inform you, that General Dickinſon, with about 400 militia, has defeated a foraging party of the enemy of an equal number, and has taken 40 waggons, and upwards of 100 horſes, moſt of them of the Engliſh draught breed, and a number of ſheep and cattle which they had collected.

The enemy retreated with ſo much precipitation, that General Dickinſon had only an opportunity of making nine priſoners; they were obſerved to carry off a good many dead and wounded in light waggons.

This action happened near Somerſet courthouſe, on Millſtone river. General Dickinſon's behaviour reflects the higheſt honour upon him, for though his troops were all raw, he led them through the river, middle deep, and gave the enemy ſo ſevere a charge, that although ſupported by three field-pieces, they gave way and left their convoy.

I have not heard from General Heath, ſince the firing near Kingſbridge laſt Saturday, which I cannot account for, unleſs the North river ſhould have been rendered impaſſable by the ice. But the account of his having ſurpriſed and taken fort Independence on Friday laſt, comes ſo well authenticated by different ways, that I cannot doubt it. It is ſaid that he took 400 priſoners in that fort; and that he inveſted fort Waſhington on Saturday, which occaſioned the firing."

Publiſhed by order of Congreſs.

CHARLES THOMSON, Sec'ry.

Extract of a letter from a Gentleman in the army, juſt arrived at Philadelphia, *dated Saturday laſt.*

"We have certain accounts of fort Independence being taken, and that 400 priſoners had fallen into our hands, amongſt whom are ſundry Pennſylvania Gentlemen Tories. Fort Waſhington was attacked this day week, and the firing ceaſed about 11 o'clock, ſuppoſed to be taken. We expect now every hour to hear of New York having alſo fallen into our hands. We have taken a great many horſes, waggons, and priſoners, in ſeveral ſkirmiſhes we had this week in and about Somerſet courthouſe."

Fort Independence, above mentioned, is ſituated near Kingſbridge, and made to defend that paſs.

We learn, by a letter from Salem (N. E.) that certain intelligence had been received from Guadaloupe, that ſome 60 and 74 gun ſhips had lately arrived at ſaid iſland, from France; that an additional number of troops were daily expected, and that a war with England was looked upon as inevitable.

A Gentleman in Philadelphia writes his friend in this town, the 22d inſtant, that Col. Gurney of that city has retaken all the Heſſians' plunder which was ſtored at Shrewſbury meeting-houſe, with their clothes and neceſſaries, to the amount of 120 waggon loads, thirty of which he ſent off, being all the waggons he had then when this pleaſing account was forwarded to us. He further adds, this you may depend on.

It is feared that the delightful town of Newport, on Rhode Iſland, which contained upwards of 1000 houſes, has met with the ſame fate as Charleſtown, Falmouth, and Norfolk, it having, it is ſaid, been lately ſeen in flames from the adjacent country.

We hear the Militia of the northern counties of this State are under marching orders, to join the grand American army in Jerſey.

Extract of a letter from Philadelphia, *dated January* 25.

"Several ſucceſsful ſkirmiſhes, but no conſiderable action, has very lately happened between our troops and the enemy; but from the movements of ſeveral large bodies of our forces in the Jerſey State, it is conjectured that a grand aſſault will be ſpeedily made upon Howe's panick-ſtruck troops near Brunſwick, &c. apprehenſive of this, the enemy have aſſembled a number of men of war and tranſports at Amboy, to facilitate the retreat, or rather eſcape, of their army, in caſe of a route. We have had, within a day or two, ſeveral flattering accounts of the ſucceſs of our arms in the State of New York; but we have nothing, as yet, well enough authenticated to publiſh."

WILLIAMSBURG, *February* 7.

LAST Wedneſday a flag came from the fleet at Willoughby's Point, towards Hampton, and was met by Captain Barron, who received their deſpatches, and forwarded them to this city by expreſs the ſame evening; they contain nothing more than a deſire to exchange priſoners.

The infamous David Matthews, Mayor of the city of New York, lately eſcaped from Litchfield, and has got to the enemy.

Under the Philadelphia head of January 23d, in the Pennſylvania Evening Poſt, we have the following paragraph: It is reported that New York was taken laſt Tueſday night, by the continental army."

NEWTOWN, *Bucks county, Jan.* 14, 1777.

THE following officers and volunteers, viz. Majors Meigs and Bigelow, Captains Lamb, Topham, Thayer, Morgan, Ward, Goodrich, and Hanchett, Lieutenants M'Dougall, Compton, Clarke, Webb, Febiger, Heth, Savage, Brown, Nichols, Bruin, and Steel, Enſigns Tiſdell, Volunteers Oſwald, Duncan, Lockwood, M'Guire, Porterfield, and Henry, who were ſent from Canada by General Carlton, are releaſed from their paroles, others of the ſame rank belonging to the Britiſh army having been exchanged for them.

ROBERT H. HARRISON,
Secretary to his Excellency General Waſhington.

For the VIRGINIA GAZETTE.

Fellow Soldiers, FEBRUARY 5, 1777.

WE have engaged in the moſt honourable ſervice in the world, in a moſt juſt and holy war, in defence of our country, our wives, children, parents, and ſiſters, and to ſecure to ourſelves and poſterity the ineſtimable bleſſings of LIBERTY. On our ſucceſs in this glorious ſtruggle with the Britiſh tyrant, and his mercenary cut-throats, depends the happineſs or miſery of millions yet unborn, and of millions now groaning under the iron hand of oppreſſion; for there is not a crowned tyrant on earth who would not ſee his diadem totter on his head, ſhould

we succeed; nor is there an insulted nation on the globe which will not be taught by us to vindicate their sacred rights. On the contrary, if we fail, there is not a haughty monarch living who will not tyrannize with tenfold tyranny, nor an unhappy people groaning under the yoke of slavery who will not be forced to bend their wretched necks to one still more galling. Our success depends, under Heaven, on your conduct. If then you stand nobly forth, and behave like men and soldiers, how glorious your prospect! You will be justly called not only the deliverers of your country, but the brave asserters of the liberties of mankind. Your country will venerate you, and the latest ages throughout the world relate your gallant exploits, and attribute their freedom and happiness to you. In such a cause fatigues and danger must be a pleasure, and death a glorious lot. What generous soul can hear of a soldier's bravely dying in such a war, without envying him his happy fate! We must all die in a few years, and no one can tell but that this day may be his last: An apoplexy may bring as sudden and as certain death as a cannon ball. A pleurisy, the gout, stone, or rheumatism, may give as great pain as any wounds we can receive in battle. We have therefore nothing to fear, and we well know, that if we had, fear is unmanly and disgraceful, and must rob a soldier of that presence of mind which has often saved thousands, and can alone make a hero of him. Let us therefore lay aside all fear, which can never turn aside a ball, or in any degree lessen danger; and let us bravely push on wherever our commanders bid us. Let us imitate our immortal General, and not only acquire the reputation of having delivered America from slavery, but also of fixing on Virginians the glorious and envied epithet of brave.

A SOLDIER.

In COUNCIL, *February* 7, 1777.

ON the petition of many of the subjects of Great Britain, in behalf of themselves and other merchants and factors residing in this commonwealth, for leave to purchase the ship Albion, a new ship, now lying at South Quay in this State, for the purpose of transporting themselves to their native country; and that they may be also permitted to purchase at the public rope-walks as much cordage as may, in addition to what they have already provided, be necessary for the said ship; and also to provide a master, mate, and fourteen sailors, to navigate the same:

It is ordered that they be accordingly allowed to purchase the abovementioned ship, and to engage navigators, according to the prayer of their petition; and that they also be permitted to purchase cordage, as aforesaid, if the Navy Board shall be of opinion that the same can be spared from the necessary demands of our own vessels. In case any impediment in getting the said vessel, crew, provisions, and other necessaries for the voyage, be met with by the memorialists, they are required from time to time to inform this Board thereof.

(A Copy) ARCHIBALD BLAIR, C. C.

IN consequence of the above permission, granted by his Excellency the Governor in Council, we, for ourselves, and in behalf of the other memorialists, have purchased from Messr. Michael and John Wallace the ship Albion, and shall fit her out for the voyage with the utmost despatch.

Fourteen ABLE SEAMEN, natives of Great Britain, or others, not in public service, are wanted, to whom extraordinary wages will be given. Apply to Capt. Alexander Thomson on board, or Mr. Michael Wallace in Nansemond.

ANDREW JOHNSTON, Petersburg.
WILLIAM WODDROP, Essex county.

ON *Monday* the 10th of *March* there will be sold to the highest Bidder, where Mr. *Glassel* formerly kept Store, in the *Dutch* Settlement, the upper End of *Culpeper*, nine likely *Virginia* born SLAVES, Men, Women, and Children, for ready Money, or Credit, as may be agreed on then; being Part of the Estate of the late Col. *John Field*.

(s1) LAURENCE SLAUGHTER, Executor.

WILLIAMSBURG, *February* 7, 1777.

AS the Subscriber purposes leaving *Virginia* early in the Spring, he begs the Favour of those indebted to him to pay off immediately, and all those who have any Demands against him are desired to bring in their Accounts, that they may be settled.

NICHOLAS SCOVEMONT.

PETERSBURG, *February* 7, 1777.

THE Subscriber wants to hire fifty stout Negro Men, for the Use of his Iron Works in *Bedford* County. He will also give ready Money for twenty young Negro Fellows from 16 to 20 Years of Age.

DAVID ROSS.

BALTIMORE, *December* 31, 1776.

Two Hundred and Sixty Pounds Reward.

Made their Escape on the Night of the 29th Instant, from the Prison of Baltimore, *the six following Prisoners, Enemies to the* United American States, *viz.*

WILLIAM GOODRICH and BRIDGER GOODRICH, both born in *Virginia*, and two of the most noted Traitors in *America*, being both Partisans of Lord *Dunmore*, and very active Agents for him in all the Piracies and Depredations committed by him in *Chesapeak* Bay.

William Goodrich is a well made lusty Man, about 34 Years of Age, about 5 Feet 8 or 9 Inches high, stoop shouldered, smooth faced, full eyed, sometimes looks reddish about the Eyes, and generally wears short light or yellow coloured curly Hair. He got a black Coat made before he escaped from Prison, but had a dark brown Coat before.

Bridger Goodrich is about 5 Feet 10 Inches high, stoop shouldered, a genteel well looking young Man, about 24 Years of Age, of a daring bold Countenance, light coloured Hair, his Face a little freckled.

Kenneth M'Donald, *Alexander M'Cleod*, *Daniel M'Cleod*, and *Murdoch M'Castle*, four of the *Scotch* Tories belonging to *North Carolina*.

Kenneth M'Donald is about 5 Feet 7 Inches high, 30 Years of Age, wears his own Hair, black and long, generally tied behind; had on a blue Coat and Breeches.

Alexander M'Cleod, about 30 Years of Age, 5 Feet 10 Inches high, and has short black Hair; a light blue Coat, other Dress unknown.

Daniel M'Cleod, about 23 Years of Age, is middle sized, and had on a blue Coat.

Murdoch M'Castle, about 28 or 30 Years of Age, 5 Feet 8 Inches high, and is a slender made Man; had on a green Coat, other Clothes uncertain.

Whoever apprehends any of the said Persons, and delivers them to the Committee of *Baltimore*, shall receive for *William* and *Bridger Goodrich* ONE HUNDRED POUNDS current Money for each, and for each of the others FIFTEEN POUNDS current Money.

ESSEX, *January* 20, 1777.

A REPORT having been falsely and maliciously spread, that Captain *Richard Banks*, of *Essex* County, killed, or was the Cause of the Death of a Sailor, belonging to a *French* Vessel now lying in the Harbour of *Hobb's Hole*, we, who were present at, and saw the whole Transaction between Captain *Banks* and the Sailor in Question, think it incumbent on us, in Justice to the Character of Capt. *Banks*, to certify, that we have been credibly informed, that four Sailors belonging to the said Vessel came to the House of Captain *Banks* on the Night of *Monday* the 30th of *December* last, armed with Clubs, broke open his Doors, and otherwise grossly insulted him and his Family, and that on the Night following they returned and repeated their Insults, when Captain *Banks*, in Consequence of Directions from the Hon. *Meriwether Smith*, Esq; and the Officers and Owners of the Vessel, had them taken into Custody. On this occasion we heard the deceased Sailor assert to the Face of Captain *Banks*, that he told a damned lie. This additional Insult provoked Captain *Banks* to give the Sailor a few Blows in the Face. These Blows were such as, in our opinion, could by no Means endanger his Life; and we are all well assured, on the best Information, that the Man lived for several Days after in a most riotous and disorderly Manner, without discovering the least Symptoms of a Person injured in any of his vital Parts by the Blows he had received.

THOMAS ROANE.
W. ROANE.
JOHN SEAYRES.

☞ On *Monday* Morning, the 6th of *January*, the Day in which the unfortunate Man above-mentioned died, I was called to his Assistance, and finding his Complaint to be mortal, inquired particularly into the Cause, and was informed by the Patient, and the Captain of the Vessel, then present, that he received the Injury from his Companions (on the *Friday* Night preceding) in a drunken Frolick, and, from the Nature of the Case, I am well satisfied that was really the Cause of his Death.

JOHN BROCKENBROUGH.

TAPPAHANNOCK, *Jan.* 20, 1777.

Just Published,

And for SALE by the Printers of this Gazette, at the usual Prices,

The VIRGINIA ALMANACK,

For the Year 1777,

Fitting VIRGINIA, MARYLAND, NORTH CAROLINA, *&c.*

THE Manufacturing Society in *Williamſburg* are in Want of 5 or 6 likely NEGRO LADS from 15 to 20 Years of Age, and as many GIRLS from 12 to 15 Years, alſo one or two WEAVERS, for whom they will give ready Money.------Thoſe who incline to ſpin for the Society at their own Houſes may be furniſhed with Flax on Application to the Managers.

N. B. Negro Girls are received as Apprentices.

TO be SOLD, on *Tueſday* the 4th of *March*, at 4 o'Clock in the Afternoon, to the higheſt Bidders, the Lot and Houſes on the main Street in *Williamſburg*, adjoining the *Raleigh* Tavern, where Mr. *Alexander Craig* formerly lived. A Houſe and Part of a Lot in *Waller* Street, with a Lot and Stable ſome little Diſtance therefrom. A paſture of ſix or ſeven Acres, encloſed, adjoining Mr. *Southall*'s Paſture. Alſo fifty Acres of Wood Land about five Miles from Town, on the main Road to *Jamestown*. Half the Purchaſe Money to be paid down, and for the Reſidue 12 Months Credit will be allowed, the Purchaſers giving Bond and Security to

(4) JOHN M. GALT, GABRIEL MAUPIN, } Executors.

*** We once more requeſt the Favour of all Perſons indebted to the Eſtate to make immediate Payment, which will be of infinite Service to Mr. *Craig*'s Family.

SPRIGHTLY.

To be let to Mares the enſuing Seaſon, at the Subſcriber's Plantation, about 14 Miles above *Peterſburg*, adjoining *Cock*'s Road,

THE high bred *Engliſh* Horſe SPRIGHTLY, full 15 Hands high, riſing 8 Years old; he is of a beautiful dark Cheſtnut Colour, was got by *Wildair*'s BABRAM, his Dam by *Rogers*'s BABRAM, his Grandam by SEDBURY, out of Lord *Portmore*'s EBONY; is well ſuited to breed for either the Saddle or Turf, being remarkably light and quick in his Movements, and free from any Blemiſh or Hurt. He won the Purſe for the four Years old at *Epſom* the ſame Year he was imported.——He will be let at thirty Shillings a Leap, or four Pounds the Seaſon. The Caſh will be expected before the Mares are taken away. Various and extenſive Paſturage, under a good Fence, for the Mares gratis, and they ſhall be taken the greateſt care of, but I will not be anſwerable for any that may be miſſing.

(12‖) ABRAHAM SMITH.

ESSEX, *February* 1, 1777.

I intend to leave the Commonwealth in a ſhort Time. (1) WILLIAM SHEDDEN.

FOR SALE, at two or three Years Credit, 342 Acres of LAND on *Oquil*'s Creek, in *Dinwiddie* County, about 9 Miles from *Peterſburg*. The Soil is proper for Corn or Wheat, and about one Half of it would produce good Tobacco.

(2‖) ARCHIBALD ROBERTSON.

STRAYED from Colonel *William Brown*'s, in *Surry*, on *Wedneſday* the 29th of *January* laſt, a blooded BAY HORSE about 4 Feet 10 Inches high, 8 Years old laſt Spring, with a ſmall Star in his Forehead, a hanging Mane and Switch Tail, and a black Spot on one of his Shoulders.---Alſo a BAY MARE about 4 Feet 6 Inches high, 12 Years old laſt Spring, a hanging Mane and Switch Tail, and a Star in her Forehead.---Their Brands (if any) are forgot ---Whoever brings them to me in *Amelia*, near the Mouth of *Deep* Creek, or gives me ſuch Intelligence as I may get them again, ſhall have 10s. for each, and 3l. on Conviction of the Thief.

(2‖) ABRAHAM GREEN.

TAKEN up, in *Dinwiddie*, near *Peterſburg*, a BLACK HORSE about 9 Years old, 4 Feet 5 or 6 Inches high, with a hanging Mane and Switch Tail. Poſed, and appraiſed to 10l.

(1) JOHN NICHOLAS.

STRAYED, or STOLEN, from Mr. *Katon's* in *Suſſex*, about the Middle of *October* laſt, a ſmall ROAN MARE 4 Feet 5 or 6 Inches high, paces and gallops very well, but has no perceivable Brand. Whoever delivers ſaid Mare to me near *Peterſburg* ſhall have FORTY SHILLINGS Reward.

(1) JOHN NICHOLAS.

TO be SOLD, to the higheſt Bidder, for ready Money, on *Tueſday* the 18th of *February* next, at *Oſborne*'s, in *Cheſterfield* County, the Sloop TWO BROTHERS, with all her RIGGING, *&c.* She is about 5 Years old, Burthen 1500 Buſhels, and ready for Sea. (2‖) BASS TANNER, & Co.

HANOVER, *January* 29, 1777.

JUST imported from *Euſtatia* and to be ſold at public Auction, before my Store, on *Saturday* the 15th of *February*, for ready Money, a Quantity of *Dutch* HOLLAND, a few Caſes of GENEVA, with ſeveral other Articles.

(2‖) RICHARD BURNLEY.

THIRTY DOLLARS REWARD.

RUN away from *Hunter's* Iron Works, the falls of *Rappahannock* River, the 12th of *Auguſt* laſt, a Mulatto Fellow named JAMES, about 5 Feet 8 or 9 Inches high, a ſtraight made Fellow, has rather a thin viſage, has the marks of the Whip on his Back, which he got ſeveral Years before I had him; he is about 26 Years of age, was ſome Time on Board the *Scorpion* Privateer, and paſſed for a free Man, by the name of *John James*. He left ſaid Veſſel in *Rappahannock* River the 12th Inſtant. Whoever ſecures the ſaid Slave in any Gaol ſhall receive the above Reward, paid at the Gaol before the Slave is taken away, or on delivering him to me on the ſaid River, near *Caſon*'s Ferry, *King George* County.

Forty very likely *Virginia* Born young Slaves will be ſold at *Frederickſburg* the 2d Day of *April*, for Caſh, by

(1) JOHN THORNTON.

A PERSON properly qualified to direct the Buſineſs of a Rope-Maker, and can come well recommended, may be employed by applying to the Subſcriber at *York* Town.

(tf) WM. REYNOLDS.

To be SOLD *at* JORDAN's, *in* Prince George *County*, *on* Monday *the* 17*th Day of* February, *for ready Money*,

ALL the perſonal Eſtate of *Richard Bland*, Eſq; deceaſed, conſiſting of thirty very fine NEGROES, Horſes, Mares, Colts, 100 Sheep, 100 Cattle, 56 Hogs, Beds and Furniture, about 300 Barrels of *Indian* Corn, 200 Buſhels of Wheat, one Barrel of 6d Nails, four or five Thouſand 8d, and two or three Thouſand 20d do. double-refined Sugar, Tea, Coffee, Flax and Cotton, Flax and Cotton Seed, Flax and Cotton Wheels, Wool and Cotton Cards, Sago, a Library of Books, Smiths Tools, a new Chariot, riding Chairs, Heckles, a Parcel of Mohogany, a Cutting Box, Scythes, Leather, raw Hides, all Kinds of Houſe and Kitchen Furniture, *&c. &c.*

(1) RICHARD BLAND, Adminiſtrator.

☞ I muſt in the moſt preſſing Manner requeſt that all Perſons indebted to the Eſtate will make the moſt ſpeedy Payment of what they owe; and as I wiſh to pay away all the Money which I receive, either from them or from the Sale of the Eſtate, as ſoon as it comes to my Hands, I muſt repeat the requeſt I formerly made, that thoſe who have any Claims againſt the Eſtate will not delay making me acquainted therewith

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TWO POUNDS REWARD.

STRAYED, or STOLEN, from the Subſcriber, in *Louiſa* County, near the Head of the *Little River*, the 1ſt of *November* laſt, a ROAN HORSE about 5 Feet 7 or 8 Inches high, trots and gallops, with a hanging Mane and Switch Tail, his Trot is remarkably ſhort, and branded on the Shoulder G. Whoever will give me Intelligence of the ſaid Horſe ſo that I get him again ſhall be entitled to the above Reward.

(4) CHARLES BARRET.

TIT FOR TAT.

LEAP-YEAR fond Phillis courted me,
And vow'd ſhe lov'd no other;
Next year ſhe told me I was free,
For ſhe had poos'd my brother.

Thinks I, we'll ſoon quit ſcores, my dear,
Soon as I found I'd miſs'd her;
I thought my claim was juſt and clear,
So yok'd with Philly's ſiſter.

BLANDFORD, *January* 22, 1777.

I INTEND to leave the Colony ſoon, and as there will be no Perſon in the Country, after my Departure, to tranſact the Buſineſs of the Store formerly kept here by Mr. *David Ruſſell*, I beg that every Perſon indebted for Dealings at ſaid Store will have their Accounts adjuſted as ſoon as poſſible.

2‖ JOHN RAY.

WILLIAMSBURG, *January* 30, 1777.

THE Subſcriber intending in a few Weeks to remove from this State, ſhe hopes that thoſe Perſons whoſe Bonds are already become due will immediately diſcharge them, in which Caſe an Abatement will be made of the Intereſt. And all thoſe who have hitherto failed in giving collateral Security for the Sums for which they ſtand indebted, and whoſe Bonds are now payable, are hereby notified, that unleſs they either pay them by the firſt Day of *March* next enſuing, or give ſuch Security, Proſecutions will be commenced againſt them in Order to procure it. Alſo thoſe Perſons who have hired Negroes of her for the preſent Year, and have not yet complied with the Terms of their Agreement, are deſired to give Bond and Security for the ſtipulated Hire, otherwiſe the Negroes will be taken from them on the 20th of *February*, when a Sale of them is propoſed to be made.

CATHARINE BLAIR.

WANTED immediately, four or five good SEAMEN, to whom I will give 81. per Month; alſo a MATE, who, upon coming well recommended, will receive 10l. per Month.---Apply to me at Col. *Harriſon*'s Shipyard, or at my Houſe in *Charles City* County.

JOHN KENT.

TEN DOLLARS REWARD.

RUN away from *Cobbam*, in *Surry*, about the Middle of this Month, a NEGRO FELLOW about 40 Years old, having loſt the Thumb of his left Hand. He is ſuppoſed to be lurking about in that County, or perhaps may endeavour to get to *Zaw* River, *North Carolina*. Whoever delivers him to me ſhall have the above Reward.

KILBYTH, *near* PETERSBURG, *January* 24, 1777. } tf WILLIAM HAY.

SIXTY DOLLARS REWARD.

DESERTED from my Company, in the 2d *Georgia* Battalion, the following Soldiers, who enliſted with me in *Williamſburg*, viz.—HUGH GREEN, MICAJAH DEFOOS, JAMES STEPHENS, JOHN WILSON, JOHN CAINE, and BENJAMIN DELK. Whoever delivers them to me at *Prince Edward* Courthouſe ſhall receive the above Reward, or TEN DOLLARS for each.

(1) ROBERT WARD, Lieut.

WILLIAMSBURG, *January* 23, 1777.

DESERTED, RICHARD PARKER,

an *Iriſhman*, between 35 and 40 Years of Age, and about 5 Feet 7 or 7 Inches high. He is a ſlovenly Fellow, and much addicted to Liquor; had on, and took with him, an old Hat, a new brown Coat, purchaſed from the Country Store, a Pair of Leather Breeches, and other Clothes, which I do not remember. If he returns to me in *Williamſburg* by the 5th of next Month, it ſhall operate much in his Favour; if not, he may expect the utmoſt Rigour of the Martial-Law; and I will give four Dollars to any Perſon who will ſecure him ſo that I get him again. As Deſertion is become but too common, it is to be hoped that every Friend and Well-wiſher to the Cauſe will exert himſelf in bringing ſuch Offenders to Juſtice, and thereby timely ſuppreſs an Evil, which, if not diſcouraged, muſt be attended with the worſt of Conſequences.

JOHN R. DAVIES, Lieutenant.

STOLEN from the Subſcriber, at *Newcaſtle*, in *Hanover* County, the 9th Day of *November* laſt, a full blooded BAY ROAN MARE, 5 Years old laſt Spring, and near 5 Feet high, has more white Hairs upon her Rump than any where elſe, ſhod all round, but ſuppoſe the Thief may take off her Shoes, to prevent Detection, is a little lame in her right hind Leg, which is very perceivable when ſhe trots. I will give FORTY SHILLINGS to any One who will give me Intelligence of the ſaid Mare ſo that I get her again, or THREE POUNDS if brought Home, and FIVE POUNDS on Conviction of the Thief, if a white Man.

(2‖) RICHARD JOHNSON.

One Hundred and Sixty Dollars Reward.

DESERTED from the Company formerly commanded by Captain *Charles Tomkies*, of the 7th Regiment, the following Soldiers, viz. *Simon Green*, *Thomas Peed*, *George Weſton*, *James White*, *Zachariah Pryor*, *Lewis Belvin*, *Aaron Belvin*, *George Belvin*, *Thomas Ranſone*, *Auguſtine Ranſone*, *Thomas Blackhall*, *William Anderſon*, *John Willis*, *Robert Graves*, *Richard Anderſon*, and *Matthew Hunley*. I will give the above Reward for apprehending the above Deſerters, or ten Dollars for each, to be delivered to Lieutenant *James Baytop*, at *Williamſburg*. The Whole of them I expect are in *Glouceſter* County, as the Company was raiſed there, and are Natives of that Place.

(‖) REUBEN LIPSCOMB.

*** Thoſe Soldiers of the ſaid Company who have been indulged with Furlough, are deſired to join Lieutenant *Baytop*, on or before the 5th Day of *February*, at *Williamſburg*, or they will be treated as Deſerters.

YORK TOWN, *Virginia*, *January* 23, 1777.

RUN away, on *Friday* the 17th Inſtant, an indented Servant Man, who came by the Name of JOHN OBRIEN, an *Iriſhman*, about 21 Years of Age, and a Tailor by Trade, about 5 Feet 6 Inches high, pitted with the Smallpox, ſlim made, has a remarkable long Head, and down Look when ſpeaking to him, has dark Hair, can write extremely well, had on a brown Frieze Coat, a Check Shirt, and a black or blue Waiſtcoat. He will not paſs by his right Name, nor own his Country. Whoever will take him up, and bring him to me, ſhall have TEN POUNDS Reward, and if ſecured in any Gaol, and ſend me Information, ſo that I get him again, ſhall have FIVE POUNDS Reward, paid them by WILLIAM DAVIS.

TO be SOLD at the *Rocky Ridge*, on *Friday* the 7th of *February*, if fair, otherwiſe next fair Day, FIFTY SLAVES, conſiſting of Men, Women, Boys, and Girls. One Half the ſaid Negroes will be ſold for ready Money, and for the Remainder twelve Months Credit will be allowed, the Purchaſers giving Bond (with approved Security) to carry Intereſt from the Date if not punctually paid to

4 PHILIP JOHNSON.
JAMES BRAY JOHNSON.

FOR SALE, a Tract of LAND lying in *James City* County, on *Scimino* Creek, about 7 or 8 Miles from *Williamſburg*, containing about 500 Acres, with a valuable firm Marſh thereto adjoining. There is on ſaid Land an exceeding good Dwelling-Houſe, with two Brick Chimnies, two Rooms and Cloſets, and a Paſſage below Stairs, and the ſame above, with Fire Places in each Room, other neceſſary Houſes, good Apple and Peach Orchards, and is very convenient to Fiſh and Oyſters. For Terms apply to the Subſcriber, in *King William*.

(tf) JOHN WATKINS.

TO be SOLD, or RENTED, a Plantation in *Prince George*, three Miles from *Blandford*, containing 360 Acres of LAND, with a good Dwelling-Houſe two Stories high, three Rooms below and four above, a-ſlush Cellar, Kitchen, Quarter, Dairy, Smokehouſe, Granary, Barn, Stables, &c. A further Deſcription is unneceſſary, as no Perſon will purchaſe without viewing the Premiſes. The Purchaſer may have his own Time of Payment, paying Intereſt after twelve Months. Apply to Mr. *Thomas Scott* in *Blandford*, who is empowered to ſell or rent the ſame.---Alſo to be rented, on *Appamattox* River, a mile below *Blandford*, a DWELLING-HOUSE, four Rooms below and two above, with all convenient Outhouſes, together with Land, Orchard, and a good Meadow, being the Seat of the late Lady *Skipwith*. For Terms apply as above.

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